

SOUTH DAKOTA LEGISLATURE.

Wheat and Drug Men Can't Get Together on Bill.

PIERCE, S. D., Jan. 26.—There appears to be an irreconcilable difference of opinion between Commissioner Wheaton and the drug men, which is brought in issue in the two bills pending...

Mr. Wheaton insists that this is not a proper test; that the pharmacopoeia is made and controlled by the druggists, is liable to be changed at any time, so by changing the language of the pharmacopoeia they would be able to virtually amend the law after it was enacted...

The Simonson (or Wheaton) bill requires every article to be as pure as it purports to be, and requires the percentage of opium, cocaine, and a long list of other poisonous or deleterious ingredients, to be printed on the package in breviter caps. The drug men demur to this on the ground that it exposes their trade secrets.

The partisans of the druggists say the Wheaton bill would drive the patent medicines either out of the state or onto the mail order houses. The contest promises to be a spirited one.

Several bills have been introduced for the establishment of homes, or hospitals, for imbeciles—"jag cures," as they are irreverently called—one at Highmore, one at Dell Rapids and one at Alexandria. The Highmore people's bill was the first introduced. They therefore claim the institution. "By right of discovery." The Alexandria people demur, insisting that it was a long felt want in their town four years ago, but that Senator Abel shied at the prospect it would invite, and declined to introduce the bill.

Dell Rapids has not yet declared herself, but envious people say that her strong pull is her proximity to the supply of raw material.

H. B. 116, by Mr. Rattie, provides for the establishment of a tuberculosis sanitarium at Custer. It appropriates \$50,000 for the building and \$5,000 per annum for its maintenance.

H. B. 121, by Mr. Larson, of Minnehaha, for a state board of school text book commissioners, and a uniform system of text books. It requires books to be purchased on bids, a standard for each book being established by the bill, and a scale of maximum prices fixed. The bill authorizes the board to purchase manuscripts and copyrights of text books, \$5,000 being appropriated for that purpose, and it contemplates publication of text books by the state at some future time.

Special Train Didn't Save Life. Rosauer, Neb., Jan. 26.—Friday evening at 6 o'clock death entered the home of W. T. Fried and took from him his young wife. Mrs. Fried was taken suddenly ill Thursday. The local doctors being unable to help her, a special train was made up at Fremont and Dr. Fenley of Omaha, with a trained nurse, were rushed from Omaha over the Union Pacific to Fremont, where a Northwestern special was waiting to convey them on to Bremer. But the operation also proved of no avail and death came as a relief to her suffering. Mrs. Fried was very popular here in social circles and was much beloved by all classes of people. Mr. Fried is one of the proprietors of one of the elevators and also a large dealer in lumber and coal.

Winner of No. 1 Gets Divorce. Platte, S. D., Jan. 25.—Now the officials of the federal land office must decide whether Mary A. Melsor, county won No. 1 in the great Tripp county lottery last fall, has traded off her husband for her \$10,000 prize, or whether her fortune has come to relieve her at a time when she was about to be left without support.

For Mrs. Melsor was granted a divorce here last week by Judge E. G. Smith upon the ground of desertion. It was while on a visit to her parents in Lyman county that Mrs. Melsor learned of her good fortune. At the time it was wondered whether, as a married woman, she would be entitled to file on the land, since she had not obtained a divorce. But she asserted that she had not lived with Melsor since June, 1907, that she had given him up and that she had supported herself since the separation, and the divorce was allowed. Accordingly she will file on her claim when the time comes. Unquestionably other winners, coming after her, will raise the novel question whether the divorce was not obtained for the purpose of allowing her to claim her prize.

In any event, the proposals of marriage which were stopped at the time she was announced winner by the statement that she was married, are certain to begin deluging the young woman, who, as shown by her pictures, is still youthful and fair to look upon.

Westervelt Died Sunday. Ira G. Westervelt, for a quarter of

a century past a resident of Norfolk, died at 6 o'clock Sunday evening at his home at 311 Madison avenue, following a long attack of heart trouble which for eight weeks past has confined him to the house.

Mr. Westervelt was seventy-six years old on December 28, 1908. On February 8, next, he and his wife would have celebrated their forty-ninth wedding anniversary. Eight children survive, six daughters and two sons: Mrs. Edith McLane, Spencer, Ia.; Mrs. Kate Sachtjen, Hoskins; Mrs. Lavina George, Neligh; John Westervelt, Meadow Grove; Mrs. Alma Hepperley, Norfolk; Mrs. Lucy Martin, Portland, Ore.; Mrs. Jessie Reynolds, Denver, Colo.; Jeffery Westervelt, Tilden. All save Mrs. Martin are here for the funeral.

Mr. Westervelt was born in Westerville, Ohio. Twenty-five years ago last March he came to Nebraska from Illinois, buying a farm a mile east of the city. Eleven years ago he moved to this city.

He served on the Norfolk school board while still living in the outside precinct and later during the Friday administrations was police judge. He declined a second term.

Mr. Westervelt belonged to no order but the Elks. The funeral will be held Wednesday afternoon from the home, Rev. C. W. Ray of the Methodist church having charge of the services. Interment will be in Prospect Hill cemetery. The hour of the funeral will be 2:30.

Mentioned for Legislation. Judge Westervelt was prominent in local politics as a Democrat. He was mentioned at different times as a legislative candidate and last fall was offered the support of local Democrats for the primary nomination for state

MONDAY MENTIONS. Miss Bessie Etter returned to her school in Pilger Sunday noon, having spent Saturday with her uncle, M. Moolick and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ulrich of Plainview were in the Junction Sunday noon between trains.

Mr. and Mrs. Sornsbarger arrived home from Missouri Valley at noon yesterday.

John Dean returned home from Neligh yesterday where he has been working.

J. O. Mount of Fremont spent Sunday in the Junction.

William Gannon of Fremont is a guest at the home of his brother-in-law, C. R. Kampman.

Frank P. Etter and nephew, Howard M. Hubbard returned to Niobrara Sunday noon, having spent Saturday and Sunday with M. Moolick.

The trainmen held a business meeting in the railroad hall Sunday afternoon, to talk over the movement of trains and discuss their different views as to getting the train over the roads in the best manner.

John Purviance, a car repairer, in the yards, was chiseling a bolt from a board Saturday, when a piece of it flew up in his eye. He was removed to a hospital in Omaha. They have hopes of saving the eye.

Fred Marly came in today for a visit with his niece, Mrs. M. P. Ryan. An af-motor has been installed in the railway shops here, which will be used for drilling, putting in stay bolts and like work around an engine.

Mrs. Louis Clark of Omaha is visiting friends in Norfolk.

Mrs. Martel, the mother of Mrs. C. H. Groesbeck, is very low.

Deputy County Clerk Sam McFarland was up from Madison over night.

Dr. and Mrs. G. A. Young spent Sunday in Battle Creek, guests of Father Walsh.

Mrs. R. A. Mittelstadt has returned from Lincoln where she has been visiting the past week.

E. F. Huse left Sunday noon for a three weeks' visit in San Francisco and Los Angeles.

Aug. Schumaker of Orchard, called to Norfolk on business, visited at the home of his sister, Mrs. Joseph Schwartz.

Mrs. H. E. Gerecke of Fremont is visiting in the city.

Mrs. O. L. Hyde left at noon for a short visit in Wakefield and Manhattan, Kan.

C. M. Lambert of Battle Creek has been in Norfolk on a visit at the B. W. Jonas home.

Among the day's out of town visitors in Norfolk were: W. E. Reed, Madison; W. S. Slaughter, Herrick; S. D. Miss Lola E. Pierson, Winnebago; Ray Chilcoat, Harry Antles, Stanton; A. P. Young, Battle Creek; Howard Greeley, Butte; E. G. Barnum, Dallas, S. D.; Mrs. A. R. Nisbet, Fullerton; C. F. Baker, Fullerton.

The Commercial club directors will meet tomorrow noon at the Oxnard. The vacancy in the board may be filled at this meeting.

friends throughout northern Nebraska who will regret exceedingly his condition.

Dr. J. H. Mackay of this city has written the following letter to Sandy Griswold, sporting editor of the Omaha World-Herald: "There has been a remarkable flight of owls this winter. The migration began last winter, and this winter every grove has owls of several species. The big-eared owl is very conspicuous, and tufts of fur and bunches of feathers proclaim his undesirable presence along the Elk-horn. A neighbor of mine, who is not afflicted with multiple vision, saw five of these birds emerging from a tree a few weeks ago, and so astonished was he that, although he had his gun with him, he neglected to shoot until they were out of range. This tiger of the air does a vast amount of damage to game. He catches the quail huddled at night and is capable of devouring several every night. A pair of these birds can destroy all the game on a farm during the winter. He is a rascal and has no redeeming features during the winter in Nebraska. Number 5 shot for him. By the way, if you should wing one, keep your dog away. You might wish to use the dog afterwards."—J. H. Mackay.

The West Side Whist club will meet Tuesday evening with Mrs. C. E. Burnham.

The Presbyterian congregation of this city hopes to have a resident minister in a short time.

Ray Weber has received word of the sudden death of his father in Canada following a paralytic stroke. The funeral will be held tomorrow, making it impossible for Mr. Weber to attend.

"Kid" Jensen is back in this city after his hard fight of Friday night with "Rosebud" Davis in Gregory, S. D. Jensen agreed to knock Davis out in eight rounds or lose the fight. The Gregory fighter stood up during the eight rounds and won the decision. Both men scored a knock-down.

Mrs. G. R. Sells and Louis Bonin, both of Norfolk, were married Saturday afternoon by County Judge William Bates at Madison. Mrs. Sells, whose husband obtained a divorce a year ago last November, was married under her maiden name, Anna Kennen. Bonin, who gave his residence as Morris, Ill., was until recently employed as a hack driver for the Star barn. He has been in Norfolk since last October and was also a resident of the city for a short time once before.

Dr. C. W. Ray, pastor of the Methodist church of this city, was in Messina, the earthquake stricken city of Sicily, a year ago last June, shortly before he came to Norfolk. Dr. Ray attended high mass while there in the Duomo cathedral, then the finest cathedral in what is now only a city of ruins. He remembers the place as a commercial center and a seaport town of importance. While he was there the crew of the ship he sailed in were busy loading oranges for shipment to Alexandria and Cairo.

Sixty-five Nebraska teachers have already reserved banquet tickets for the second annual banquet and meeting of the North Nebraska School Folks club, to be held at the Oxnard hotel in this city next Friday evening. Last year seventy-one banquet tickets were disposed of, so that the attendance this year will show a considerable increase. The afternoon meeting will be largely a social meeting as the only business will be the adoption of the new constitution. In the evening manual education will be the principal topic up for discussion. President Thomas of the Kearney normal will preside.

Dentists Form New Organization. Humphrey, Neb., Jan. 25.—Special to The News: A meeting of dentists was held here yesterday to organize the Central Nebraska Odontological society. Meetings will be held four times a year, in January, April, July and October. The next meeting will be held in April at Columbus.

The following officers were elected: Dr. J. E. Paul, Columbus, president; Dr. C. S. Parker, Norfolk, vice president; Dr. J. R. Ossler, Humphrey, secretary; Dr. H. E. Snyder, Elgin, treasurer.

The following dentists were present at yesterday's meeting: Dr. Hoopman, Madison; Dr. Neis Matzen, Columbus; Dr. P. T. Barber, Omaha; Dr. C. P. Condon, Dodge; Dr. W. M. Condon, Humphrey.

In the evening, after the business had been completed, a banquet was held at the home of Dr. Condon of this city. Toasts were responded to by Dr. Snyder, Dr. Barber and Dr. Paul.

The object of the society is mutual benefit. Many of the members of the North Nebraska Dental society belong to this.

Rome Miller Farm Sold. The Rome Miller dairy farm, just south of the Junction, comprising 287 acres, with a huge barn not equalled in application of scientific principles in the state outside of the state agricultural farm, has been sold to P. D. Fuller, a stock breeder of O'Brien county, Iowa, for \$22,500. The farm was sold by the recent owners, the Standard Stock Food company, through their representatives, Ransom & Anderson, the sale being announced today.

Mr. Fuller will operate a fancy stock farm along progressive lines. He has in Iowa 100 head of registered short horns, which he will ship to Norfolk, after he takes possession of the farm March 1. The new owner will not go into the dairy business but will devote himself to raising fancy stock. Norfolk appealed to him on account of its advantageous location.

The Rome Miller dairy farm was sold to the Omaha company some time ago when Mr. Miller started to dis-

pose of his Norfolk interests. It was bought by the Standard Stock Food company merely as an investment in connection with other transactions.

Harter Says He'll Find 'Em. The Norfolk city census at noon: 1,204 persons enumerated.

Ed Harter, city clerk, now taking the official census of the city, is confident that the 5,000 mark will be safely passed.

Harter is sure that Norfolk has more than 5,000 people. He is equally sure that he is going to get every one of them down in his census book.

Ed Harter's Plan. To systematize his work Harter has divided the city into four parts, divided east and west by the Northwestern tracks and north and south by Norfolk avenue.

Where He Expects to Find 5,000. Harter started in on the southwest quarter, which includes The Heights. He has covered the territory south of the Norfolk avenue and west of the tracks as far west as Thirteenth street. When he has Thirteenth street completed he will have finished the southwest quarter with about 1,300 people. He expects about 1,000 new names north of Norfolk avenue. The remaining 2,700 names he is sure can be found in big southeast quarter.

Railroad News. The recent change in the force of telegraph operators at the Northwestern passenger station at West Point has resulted in J. Fowler, late of South Omaha, being placed on duty and John Dolista as night operator.

Thomas H. Hicks and three members of his family have filed suits against the Northwestern at Fremont. The family were run down by a switch engine while crossing a siding near Fremont on November 3, 1907. The suits are for \$15,000, \$1,999, \$1,999 and \$1,000.

Railroad Age Gazette: In the Harri-man group of railroads, direction of the financing and the broad policies has been concentrated on the remarkable man who is at once the nominal and actual head of the system. He has two extraordinary lieutenants—Mr. Stubbs and Mr. Kruttschnitt. Each of them governs a province, one being responsible for the basic principles of getting the business; the other for the fundamentals of taking care of it after it is gotten. But these colonial governors do not attempt detail administration. Mohler is, to all intents, king of the Oregon Short Line; Calvin, of the Southern Pacific. No matter how able the man who sits in the office at Chicago, he cannot personally attend to details of first rate importance that arise day by day in the management of these enormous properties. There must be a man on the ground, and he must have authority.

Real Estate Transfers. Real estate transfers for the week ending January 16, 1909, compiled by the Madison County Abstract & Guarantee company, office with Mapes & Hazen.

Ida Mast to Henry Raasch, Q. C. D. Cons. \$1,000. Nw 1/4 of ne 1/4 and ne 1/4 of nw 1/4 of 16-24-1.

Louis C. Ruegge to Amy J. D. Colegrove, W. D. Cons. \$380. Pt. of Out lot 1, Lewis Addition to Meadow Grove.

Amelia Bear to D. Rees, W. D. Cons. \$2,500. Lot 5, block 1, Bear's Addition to Norfolk.

Edward E. Beels to George N. Beels, W. D. Cons. \$2,000. Sublot 8 of lot 14, block 1, Pasewalk's First Addition to Norfolk.

Flora Wanker and Bessie Wanker to Rebecca J. Wanker, W. D. Cons. \$400. Lots 10 and 11, block 13, Western Town Lot company's Addition to Norfolk.

August Reikofski to John Reikofski, W. D. Cons. \$1,200. W 1/2 of nw 1/4 of 23-2-4.

Herman Eucker to Fred W. Reeker, W. D. Cons. \$7,000. Sw 1/4 of 33-2-3.

Thomas G. Hight to O. R. Watters, W. D. Cons. \$4,000. Lots 1 and 2, block 1, Klug's 2nd Subdivision to Norfolk.

Alvina A. Friend to August Lierman, W. D. Cons. \$1,000. Lot 8 and s 1/2 of lot 9, block 11, Kimball & Blair's Addition to Tilden.

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Francis H. Mealliff to Frank A. Russell, W. D. Cons. \$2,000. Sw 1/4 2-24-4.

C. J. Schroeder to Max Schmideberg, W. D. Cons. \$1,800. Lot 11 1/2, block 5, Pasewalk's Third Addition to Norfolk.

William Armstrong to Hanna Armstrong, W. D. Cons. \$1,700. W 1/2 of nw 1/4 of 13-2-2 and e 1/4 of ne 1/4 of 13-2-3.

Chadron and the State Normal. The Chadron Commercial club has entered the state normal game. If a new state normal is to go to the western part of the state, it wants it. If there are to be no new normals, it wants the Alliance Junior normal abolished and junior normals located at Chadron and Sidney.

If advertising cannot help your business—why, your business is not business at all, but something else.

There is no case on record of a cough, cold or influenza developing into pneumonia after Foley's Honey and Tar has been taken, as it cures the most obstinate deep seated coughs and colds. Why take anything else.—The Klesau Drug company.

When a man can't remember the name of a pretty girl, that is a sign he gray hairs are here.

A Religious Author's Statement. For several years I was afflicted with

kidney trouble and last winter I was suddenly stricken with a severe pain in my kidneys and was confined to bed eight days unable to get up without assistance. My urine contained a thick white sediment and I passed some frequently day and night. I commenced taking Foley's Kidney Remedy, and the pain gradually abated and finally ceased and my urine became normal. I cheerfully recommend Foley's Kidney Remedy.—The Klesau Drug company.

When a widower is rich, and good looking, he attracts as much talk as any widow that ever walked the face of the earth.

Simple Remedy for La Grippe. Coughing in grippe coughs that may develop into pneumonia over night are quickly cured by Foley's Honey and Tar. The sore and inflamed lungs are quickly strengthened, and a dangerous condition is quickly averted.—The Klesau Drug company.

Don't tell a friend in trouble that every cloud has a silver lining, unless you have time to stop and find it for him.

If you will take Foley's Urino Laxative until the bowels become regular you will not have to take purgatives constantly as Foley's Urino Laxative positively cures chronic constipation and sluggish liver. Pleasant to take.—The Klesau Drug company.

ROOT RESIGNS; BACON IN. Newspaper Man to Be Assistant Secretary of State. Washington, Jan. 25.—Ellis Root resigned today as secretary of state, to accept the New York senatorship.

The nominations of Assistant Secretary Bacon to be secretary of state and of John C. O'Loughlin, formerly correspondent for the Chicago Tribune, to be assistant secretary of state, were sent to the senate today.

No Reports of Earthquake. St. Petersburg, Jan. 25.—No definite news has yet been received concerning the earthquake recorded by the seismographs throughout Europe last Saturday.

Indications are that the shocks occurred in remote and thinly populated regions of Russian Turkestan.

FISHERIES AGREEMENT. By Secretary Root and British, Canadian and Newfoundland Government. Washington, Jan. 25.—An agreement has been reached between Secretary Root and the British, Canadian and Newfoundland governments on the fisheries question. The matter will be submitted to The Hague tribunal.

Fleet Assembling. Smyrna, Jan. 25.—The battleships Missouri, Ohio, Louisiana and Virginia sailed today for Montenegro bay, where the entire fleet will rendezvous prior to sailing for Gibraltar.

Ice Harvest Halts. Valentine, Neb., Jan. 25.—Special to The News: The continued warm weather makes it impossible for the Northwestern railroad company to put up any more ice at present so tonight will see the finish of the ice harvest for this year, they have been working for the past two weeks employing about fifty teams and about forty men on the pond besides. They estimate that they have cut and put up about 10,000 tons, and the ice is in fine shape, being eighteen inches thick and as clear as a crystal.

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CONNOR LEFT MANY WILLS. Four Hundred Thousand Dollars at Stake in Omaha Suit. Omaha, Jan. 26.—Miss Grace Connor, loser daughter of Joseph A. Connor, who died a few months ago, is trying to secure possession of the \$400,000 estate her adopted father left. It appears that numerous wills were made by Connor, one of which left \$25,000 each to Miss Grace and a sister of the dead man and the balance to Catholic institutions. This will Miss Connor seeks to have thrown out of court. The trial is attracting unusual attention and much legal counsel is employed by both sides.

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PLAN FOR STATE REFERENDUM.

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ANTI-SALOON MEN ARE BUSY.

Measures Introduced in Legislature Aimed at Liquor Dealers—Bill to Do Away With High School Fraternities—Bank Bill in Senate.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 26.—In the senate Miller introduced a bill to prohibit the organization of secret fraternities among high school students. A number of high school superintendents are backing the bill.

The senate spent most of its time in committee of the whole. The King bill, memorializing congress to permit national banks to take advantage of the state law for guaranteed deposits, was recommended for passage.

Partisans of county option are back of a movement to make the initiative and referendum law a part of the Nebraska constitution. An effort will be made to so amend the constitution that bills calling for passage in the legislature can be submitted directly to the people.

The county optionists are backing this move to make it possible in case their pet measure is killed by the legislature for them to wage a fight for the measure at a general or special election.

Cities and towns may under the present law adopt the initiative and referendum law by a vote of the people and a few have adopted it, though it is not generally used. The present agitation is to enlarge its scope so as to take in matters of state legislation.

Representative Noyes of Cass county has introduced a number of bills, among them several striking at the liquor traffic. One of these bills proposes a license for wagons delivering beer and demands that they be labeled with letters three inches high declaring their business. Another bill seeks to increase the cost of country retail licenses from \$500 to \$5,000.

Representative Bogate is after the high school fraternities and introduced a bill doing away with them entirely.

The speaker has signed the appropriation bill for the cost of the legislative session.

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Pure in the can—Pure in the baking. Never Fails. Try it.

The Earth Quivered. Creighton, Neb., Jan. 26.—Special to The News: A violent earthquake shock was felt in this vicinity yesterday afternoon at 2:15 o'clock.

The rumbling of the quake sounded like a team of horses running over a bridge.

Scared Chickens and Horses. The rumble frightened horses and chickens and caused consternation among people.

Chickens cackled and horses in the stables jumped around nervously.

Farmers driving along the highway stopped their horses to look around and find out what had happened. But their horses, alarmed, pricked up their ears and refused to stand still.

From points many miles in all directions, farmers began immediately to telephone into Creighton to find out what had happened, and to inquire if the rumble was generally heard.

The quiver of the earth lasted from a half to three-fourths of a minute.

The noise was heard northwest and northeast of here, as well as for some miles east and west. The noise seemed to come from northwest to southeast.

It was the most severe earthquake ever known in this region.

Crash Like Explosion Near Pierce. Pierce, Neb., Jan. 26.—Special to The News: A gigantic crash, like the sharp, deafening crash following violent chain-lightning, suddenly tore through the atmosphere about ten miles southwest of Pierce at about 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The noise resembled that of a terrific explosion, and it came out of a clear sky.

Houses Shook Perceptibly. Houses shook perceptibly in the earthquake. Horses were frightened, apparently being scared much more than by thunder.

There seemed to be two distinct crashes, according to reports received here by telephone. Some people say three. The reports lasted only a few seconds each.

For ten miles in each direction out of Pierce the noise was noticed.

Like Dynamite at Plainview. Plainview, Neb., Jan. 26.—Special to The News: A distinct earthquake shock was felt in this vicinity about two o'clock yesterday afternoon.

It was preceded by a noise similar to distant explosion of dynamite.

Reports from different parts of the country, near town, indicate that it was an earthquake.

School Building Shakes. The primary school building felt the jar.

Business Changes in the Northwest. Bristow is ready to start a farmers' cooperative cheese factory.

G. E. Shaver, a Lamro hardware dealer, is to erect a new building.

Dr. A. E. Collyer has located at Elgin. He may start a hospital later.

Mr. Conway has retired from the firm of Payne & Conway, general merchants at Elgin.

The hardware and implement firm of Coffey & Daily at Spencer has been dissolved, Mr. Dailey retiring.

The business men of Spencer have organized a live stock company to increase Spencer's importance as a stock shipping point.

The Herrick Press announces that the cold storage plant of the Jetter Brewing company is